

## Message Text

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ACTION AF-10

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R 101025Z MAY 78  
FM AMEMBASSY PRETORIA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1193  
INFO AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN  
AMCONSUL DURBAN

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BEXP, ESTC, SF  
SUBJECT: AIRCRAFT SALES TO SOUTH AFRICA

REF: (A) PRETORIA 394, (B) STATE 79654

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH EMBASSY PROPOSALS AND DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE (REFTELS), DURBAN CONOFF FUGIT HAS BEGUN SURVEY OF END-USE OF LIGHT CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT SOLD BY U.S. MANUFACTURERS IN SOUTH AFRICA. TO KEEP SURVEY MANAGEABLE FOR LIMITED TIME AVAILABLE FOR TDY, WE ARE LIMITING IT TO AIRCRAFT SOLD IN 1975. AIRCRAFT DISTRIBUTORS ARE PROVIDING LISTS OF U.S. AIRCRAFT SOLD DURING PERIOD. THESE LISTS WILL BE COMPARED AGAINST CIVIL AIRCRAFT REGISTER AND EFFORT MADE TO RECONCILE DIFFERENCES, E.G., CRASHES AND RE-EXPORTS. ALSO ON LIMITED SAMPLING BASIS, PHYSICAL CHECK OF AIRCRAFT AT MAJOR GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORTS WILL BE MADE.

2. ONE WEAK POINT IN SURVEY IS THAT WE WILL BE RELYING ON SALES RECORDS PROVIDED BY DISTRIBUTORS. AS A DOUBLE CHECK ON THIS INFORMATION, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF  
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DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE LIST OF U.S.-MANUFACTURED AIRCRAFT LICENSED BY STATE/COMMERCE FOR EXPORT TO SOUTH AFRICA FOR PERIOD JULY 1974 TO JUNE 1976. SIX-MONTH OVERLAP ON EITHER SIDE OF 1975 WOULD ALLOW FOR LAG BETWEEN LICENSING AND SHIPPING. HOPEFULLY IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN COMPUTER PRINTOUT WHICH WOULD PROVIDE AIRCRAFT TYPE, SERIAL NUMBER AND ANY REGISTRATION

NUMBER KNOWN. INDICATION THAT IN FACT AIRCRAFT WAS  
EXPORTED WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.  
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